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Peonies

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I R I S E S O F P E R S O N A L I T Y

Oriental Poppies

1926

Roy V. Ashley

172 Grand Boulevard

Battle Creek, Mich.

Member American Iris Society

"Purple Iris,  
Streaked with amethystine memories of the night,  
Health-glossed and firm as are the ripe wings  
Of oriental butterflies--"

Michael Strange.

This list of Irises is presented in full confidence that it represents in a very unusual degree the finest varieties of recent introduction. The selection very largely was made by one of the leading Iris connoisseurs in this country, an Iris lover who repeatedly has sought the original sources of fine Irises by personal visits to the most notable gardens of Europe, England and America, who has made a special study of the "rainbow flower" during many years and who has made a most noteworthy success in promoting the distribution of the really fine varieties.

VISITORS are always welcome during the flowering season, which is usually from the middle of May to near the end of June. In addition to a large planting of fine Irises, there are more than 100 Peonies of the finest named varieties and a large collection of Oriental Poppies which are always a great attraction.

Terms: Cash with order. Remittances may be by check, money order, bank draft or registered mail.

On orders for specified varieties amounting to \$5.00 or more, 5% discount will be allowed; on orders for \$10.00 or more, 10% discount, and on orders for \$25.00 or more, 20% discount from prices quoted.

Orders will be filled in rotation as received. Early orders are highly advisable, as stocks of some varieties are very limited. Shipment will be made as soon as possible after the blooming season, beginning about July 1st. Shipments containing not more than 20 rhizomes will be sent postpaid. Larger orders may be by express, either prepaid or charges collect at our option.

We do not substitute unless requested to do so, and will refund any amounts paid for varieties that we are unable to furnish.

Underscored varieties are included in the list of 53 best varieties for home planting, regardless of price, selected by the Commercial Peony and Iris Growers' Association.

Please do not ask us to fill orders amounting to less than \$1.00.

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IRISES OF PERSONALITY  
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 "In their gowns of crinkled silk  
 Golden-banded, ranked in order,  
 Brilliant as the sunset fire is,  
 Black as bull's blood, white as milk;  
 Stand within our garden border  
 Troops of Iris." Susan O. Moberly.  
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The Iris well deserves to be called the garden flower of America. And it has been voted our most popular garden flowers by the members of the Garden Club of America. With its dainty refinement and with the delicate poise of the Orchid, it presents a wider range of coloring, will withstand more neglect and abuse and will thrive under more widely varied and less favorable conditions than any other garden flower. But it is at its best if planted in rich, well drained soil and in a position open to full sunshine.

Said the lamented B. H. Farr, in speaking of this wonderful "flower of Light", "Mysterious as the opal with its ever-changing fire, its marvelous structure more wonderful than the Orchid, so fragile as to be crushed by the slightest pressure, its beauty seems wholly ethereal, making you dream of far-away things--like the smoky clouds at dusk, or the rainbow glistening in the sun. If you yield to the magic spell of the Iris, it will lead you across the border into a wonderland of delight."

Tall Bearded

Name of Variety	Price per single rhizome	Name of Variety	Price
Afterglow	\$ .50	Baleruc	4 1.00
Alcazar	.35	Ballerine	1.00
Ames	.35	Belladonna	1.50
Ambassadeur	1.00	Bonbow	.50
Ambigu	.50	Black Prince	1.00
Anna Farr	1.00	Blue Boy	.35
Anne Leslie	.75	Bluct	.50
Ann Page	2.00	Brandywine	1.00
Antonia Antonette	3.00	Bronze Lady	.50
Aphrodite	7.50	Bruno	15.00
Argon	2.00	B. Y. Morrison	1.00
Archeveque	.35		
Argynnis	1.00	Camelot	.50
Armenian	.50	Canopus	2.00
Asia	3.50	Caprice	.35
Assyrian	1.00	Cardinal	20.00
Aurea	.35	Cecil Minturn	.50
Aurora	.35	Cengialti	.25
Autumn King	2.50	Chalice	1.50
Azure	.50	Chasscur	2.50
Azure Glow	1.00	Citronelle	4.00

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172 Grand Boulevard

Battle Creek, Mich.

"Undulating ranks of Iris,  
Slimly holding their broad flat blooms  
Like tripods of incense  
Aloft--towards the moist spearing  
Of morning sunlight."

Michael Strange.

Tall Bearded

Name of Variety	Price per single rhizome	Name of Variety	Price
Clarence Wedge	\$ .25	Fairy	\$ .35
Clematis	.50	Fedora	.50
Clio	.25	Firmament	.50
Cluny	.50	Flammenschwert	1.00
Col. Candelot	.50	Florentina	.25
Conchobar	15.00	Fro	.35
Conquistador	5.00	Fryer's Glory	.35
Cordelia	.50	Gandhi	1.00
Corrida	.50	Gaviota	1.50
Crusador	.50	Geo. W. Peake	.25
Dalila	.50	Geo. J. Tribolet	2.00
Dalmatius	.35	George Yield	4.00
Dawn	.50	Georgia	.75
Deucalion	1.00	Germaine Pethuis	8.00
Diadem	.50	Glamour	10.00
Dimity	.50	Glory of Hillegom	.35
Dominion	7.50	Gold Crest	.75
Donna Nook	1.00	Gold Imperial	5.00
Dorothea	.35	Golden Promise	4.00
Drake	1.50	Greater May Queen	1.00
Dream	1.00	Grevin	.60
Duke of Bedford	10.00		
Dusky Maid	.75	Halo	.75
Eclaircuer		Harmony	2.50
Eden Philpotts	1.00	Harpalion	2.00
E.H.Jenkins	.75	Harriet Presby	2.50
E.L.Crandall	.70	Her Majesty	.25
Eldorado	.50	Hippolyta	1.00
Edouard Michel	.75	Hussard	3.00
Evadne	7.50	Hyperion	8.00

"Mother pointed out the 'flowers';--  
I saw no planted things,  
But white and purple butterflies  
Tied down with silken strings."

Mary McNeil Fenellosa.

## IRISES OF PERSONALITY

1928

R. V. Ashley

172 Grand Boulevard

Battle Creek, Mich.

"A song of the thrush beyond a jeweled lawn;  
 The voice of silence eloquent, a flush of rosy dawn.  
 A lazy breeze drifts over, then comes a gentle show'r,  
 And lo, there springs in magic the rainbow's fairy flow'r."  
 Grace Hine Dalzell.

## Tall Bearded

Name of Variety	Price per single rhizome	Name of Variety	Price
Igouf	\$ .50	Mad. Baze	\$ .50
Imperator	2.00	Mad. Chereau	.25
Iris King	.35	Mad. Paquette	.25
Isis	2.00	Mad. J. Vernoux	1.00
<u>Isoline</u>	.35	Madison Cooper	.50
<u>Jacquesiana</u>	.50	Mady Carriere	.75
Japanesque	1.00	Magnate	.50
Jean Chevreau	2.50	Maymifica	1.00
J. J. Dean	1.50	Majestic	10.00
Juniata	.35	Major	.25
Kalos	2.00	Ma Mic	.35
Kathryn Fryer	.50	Marion Cran	2.00
King George V	1.50	Marjorie Tinley	5.00
Knysna	.60	Marsh Marigold	1.50
Kochli	.25	Mary Garden	.35
Kurdistan	.75	Mary Gibson	5.00
Lady Foster	.75	Mary Orth	.50
Lady Lillian	1.00	Mary Williamson	1.50
Lafayette	.25	Massasait	.35
Lancelot	1.00	May Rose	.75
La Niege	.50	May Queen	.25
Leda	.25	Medrano	1.00
Le Grande Ferre	6.00	Merlin	.50
<u>Lent A. Williamson</u>	.75	Michelline Charraire	10.00
Lewis Trowbridge	.50	Midwest	1.00
Loctitia Michaud	6.00	Mithras	.25
Lohengrin	.25	Mildred Presby	2.00
Lord of June	1.00	Miranda	.50
Loreley	.25	Mistress Ford	1.00
Lulworth	2.00	Mlle. Schwartz	1.00
Lurline	1.50	Mme. Boulet	.35
		Mme. Boyer	2.00
		Mme. Cecile Souscant	6.00
		Mme. Cheri	1.00
		Mme. Chobaut	.75

"The garden lover finds rest and peace in the contemplation  
 of dainty groups of garden fairies decked in gossamers of  
 delicately blended hues."

R. Marshall.

IRISES OF PERSONALITY  
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Ray V. Ashley

172 Grand Boulevard

Battle Creek, Mich.

"Surbeams imprisoned that fall to earth and grow;  
The lovely ling'ring blush of sunset afterglow.  
The whiteness of the snows, a gleam of garish gold,  
A wave of royal purple, a dash of yellow bold."

Grace Hine Dalzell.

Tall Bearded

Name of Variety	Price per single rhizome	Name of Variety	Price
Mme. Durand	\$ 3.00	Ochracea cerulea	\$ 1.50
Mme. Gaudichau	1.00	Olive Murrell	7.00
Mme. Leuesse	1.00	Oliver Perthuis	1.00
Mme. de Sevigne.	.50	Omer	1.00
Moa	10.00	Orabelle	.25
Moliere	.75	Ossian	.25
Monsignor	.35	Othello	.20
M. Menetrier	1.00		
Moonlight	7.00	Pallida Dalmatica	.35
Morning Splendor	4.00	Parisiara	.35
Mother of Pearl	.50	Paulina	.35
Mrs. Alan Gray	.35	Paxatiwney	.25
Mrs. J. C. Bird	.25	Peau Rouge	2.50
Mrs. A. M. Brand	.50	Perfection	.25
Mrs. Cowley	.50	Perladeonna	2.00
Mrs. W. Cuthbertson	2.50	Perry's Favorite	1.00
Mrs. H. Darwin	.25	Petit Vitry	.35
Mrs. Eardsley	.50	Pink Pearl	1.50
Mrs. Fryer	.50	Pioneer	8.00
Mrs. Haw	.50	Prince Royal	.50
Mrs. Thos. Kingscote	2.00	Princess Osra	2.50
Mrs. Hetty Mattson	2.00	Princess Victoria Louise	.25
Mrs. Neubronner	.25	Prof. Seeliger	.35
Mrs. Tinley	.75	Prospero	1.00
Mt. Penn	.50	Presper Lougier	.35
Muzeris	2.00	Powhatan	.50
Mystic	3.00		
Naushon	.25	Quaker Lady	.25
Neptune	.50	Queen Alexandria	.35
Nibelungen	.25	Queen Caterina	.75
Nine Wells	.50	Queen Flavia	.35
Nimbus	4.00		
Notha spuria	.75		
Nothung	.50		

"The joy of guardian angels, the iridescent hues  
Of many broken rainbows and ever glist'ning dews.  
A thousand varied tints of rose and gold and blue,  
As beautiful as friendship that's proven ev'r'true."

Grace Hine Dalzell.

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172 Grand Boulevard

Battle Creek, Mich.

"A thing of beauty is a joy forever:  
Its loveliness increases; it will never  
Pass into nothingness; but still will keep  
A bower quiet for us, and a sleep  
Full of sweet dreams, and health and quiet breathing."  
Keats: Endymion.

Name of Variety	Price per single rhizome	Tall Bearded Name of Variety	Price
Raffet	\$ .50	Tamar	\$ 1.00
Red Cloud	.35	Tamerlan	.25
Red Ridinghood	.50	Tenebris	6.00
Rheintraub	1.50	Tintallion	1.00
Rhein Nixe	.25	Thelma Perry	1.00
Rodney	1.00	Titon	4.00
Romany	1.00	Tom Tit	.50
Rosalba	1.00	Trautlieb	.50
Rosalind	.75	Tregastel	.20
Rose Unique	.50	Tristram	.50
Roseway	.50	Troades	2.00
Rotorua	.75	Trojana	.35
Ruby Queen	1.00	Trost	.50
Rugajo	1.00	Twilight	.50
Sappho.	.20	Undine	.50
Safrano Dykeo	6.00		
Salonique	1.00	Valery Mayet	1.00
San Gabriel	2.50	Victerine	.25
Santa Rosa	.50		
Sarabande	.50	Wedgewood	7.50
Seagull	.50	Western Dream	1.50
Sea Nymph	1.00	White Fright	.50
Seminole	.50	White Swan	1.00
Shekinah	.75	Will Marshall	.75
Sherwin Wright	.25	Willow	.50
Silver Mist	2.00	W. J. Tryer	.50
Simone Wassiere	2.00	Wyoming	.35
Sindjka	.50		
Solano	2.00	Yolanie	4.00
Steepway	2.00	Yellow Hammer	1.50
Storm Cloud	.50		
Sunset	1.50	Zilia	.50
Susan Bliss	2.50	Ziva	.75
Sweet Lavender	1.50	Zwanrenberg	.75
Syphax	.75		

"O flower-de-luce, bleach on, and let the river  
Lie far to kiss thy feet!  
O flower of song, bloom on, and make forever  
The world more fair and sweet." -- Longfellow.

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172 Grand Boulevard

Battle Creek, Mich.

"Blue, how heavenly blue are they!  
Tiny plashes of scattered skies,  
Precious bits of the April day  
Azure as Aphrodite's eyes,  
Wallace Rice.

Dwarf Bearded

Dwarf Bearded

Name of Variety	Price per single rhizome	Name of Variety	Price
Argus	\$ .50	Reichenbachiana	\$ .35
Armeec d'Orient	.35	Royal Purple	.55
Azures	.75	Rupert	.50
Butterfly	.50	Schneecuppe	.50
Chamaeiris alba	1.00	Statellae	.50
Chamaeiris aurea	.35	Villeréal	.35
Cyanea	.75		
Eburnea	.35		
Endymion	.50		Beardless
Golden	.50	Acorus aureo	.25
Graminea	.50	Cristata	.25
Harbor Light	.50	Dorothea K. Williamson	.75
Ilsan	1.00	Hyacinthiana	.15
Jaune	.50	Mrs. A. W. Tait, spuria	.75
La France	.50	Orientalis gigantea	.75
Libra	.50	Orientalis Superba	.75
Lutea	.50		
Maia	.50	Sibirica white	3 for .35
Negus	.35	Sibirica blue	3 "
Nudicaulis	.35	Tectorum	.50
Orange Queen	.35		
Pumila blanc	.35		
Pumila Royal Purple	.35		

"Launching into the sweetening air,  
Singing and dancing with dainty art,  
Virginal laughter free from care,  
Emerald robe and golden heart.  
Wallace Rice.

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Boy V. Ashley

172 Grand Boulevard

Fettle Creek, Mich.

SEEDLINGS FOR LANDSCAPING. For some years we have been raising seedlings, using only our best varieties as seed parents. These seedlings present a splendid array in various colorings, representing all the types of bearded Iris. Many of them are fully equal to varieties which have been introduced within three or four years but too nearly like them to be listed as new commercial varieties. They are just the thing for landscaping, or where a large show of flowers from a moderate investment is desired. While they last --

100 rhizomes                    \$5.00  
Not less than 50 at the 100 rate.  
(By express, charges collect)

SPECIAL OFFERS. When the selection of varieties is left to us, for a limited time we will send double values, less transportation charges. This means \$10.00 value for \$5.00; \$50.00 value for \$25.00, &c. No order received on this basis for less than \$2.00 net. You may indicate any preference as to colors and whether Irises of low, medium or higher prices are desired.

INTRODUCTORY COLLECTION

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7 notable Irises, value \$2.05,  
for only \$1.25 prepaid.

Pal Dal                    Ma Mie  
Sherwin Wright. Lohengrin  
Kochii                    Quaker Lady  
Isoline

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10 fine Irises, prices at 35¢ each.  
Price \$2.00 prepaid.

Junista                    Dorothea  
Dalmarius                Mary Garden  
Mrs. Allan Gray           Aurora  
Red Cloud                Pauline  
Massasoit

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10 excellent varieties at 50¢ each  
Price \$3.00 prepaid.

10 choice sorts, value \$14.00  
Price \$9.00 prepaid.

Mother of Pearl            Fowhittan  
Dalila                    Cluny  
Red Ridinghood            Roseway  
Afterglow                Seminole  
Firmament                Lewis Trowbridge

Ambassadeur                Sunset  
Oliver Berthois            Canopus  
Lady Lillian              Kales  
Anna Farr                Marsh Marigold  
Valery Myret

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9 splendid sorts, value \$40.00,  
for only \$27.00 prepaid.

**COLLECTOR'S PARMAN**  
6 outstanding modern varieties, value  
\$80.00 only \$55.00 prepaid.

Susan Bliss                Pioneer  
Mystic                    Harriet Presby  
Le Grande Ferre           Morning Splendor  
Titan                     Wedgewood  
Chassour

Conchobar                Duke of Bedford  
Majestic                Moa  
Bruno                    Cardinal

(Iris seeds, quantity limited, per packet 25¢)

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P E O N I E S  
1928

Oriental Poppies

Roy V. Ashley

172 Grand Boulevard

Battle Creek, Mich.

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The exquisite beauty and delightful fragrance of fine Peonies have a peculiar infatuation for flower lovers. The varieties in the following lists are real aristocrats in the Peony world.

Peony roots should be transplanted during September, October and November, and shipments will be made in those months.

When selection of varieties is left to us, a discount of twenty per cent. will be allowed from the list prices.

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Name of Variety	Price per Standard division	Name of Variety	Price
Albert Grousse	\$1.00	Galathée	\$5.00
Alice de Julécourt	1.00	Georgiana Shaylor	5.00
Auguste Dessert	14.00	Grover Cleveland	1.50
Avalanche	1.50	James Kelway	1.50
Baroness Schroeder	1.50	Jeannot	6.00
Boule de Neige	1.00	Jubilee	5.00
Charles Neidel	2.50	Karl Rosefield	2.00
Cherry Hill	5.00	Kelway's Glorius	15.00
Couronne d'Or	1.00	Lady Alexandra Duff	4.00
Duchesse de Nemours	.75	La Fee	15.00
		La Fiancée	2.00
E. B. Browning	5.00	La Tulipe	1.00
Edulis Superba	1.00	Le Cygne	10.00
Eileen Kelway	3.00	Le Jour	4.00
Elwood Pleas	3.00	Lillian Gunn	10.00
Enchantresse	5.00	Livingstone	1.50
Eugene Verdier	2.50	Longfellow	5.00
Evening Glow	3.00	Lora Dexheimer	4.00
Exquisite	3.00	Loveliness	3.50
Felix Crousse	1.00	Mad. Calot	1.00
Festiva Maxima	.75	Mad. Ducel	1.00
Flow'ret of Eden	25.00	Mad. Forel	1.00
Fontanelle	2.00	Mad. Leone Calot	1.00
Frances Shaylor	5.00	Mme. Gaudichau	7.50

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Name of Variety	Price per standard division	Name of Variety	Price
Mc. de Verneville	\$1.00	Pachel	\$4.00
Mafeking	3.00	Reine Hortense	2.00
Marie Lemoine	1.50	Richard Carvel	7.50
Marquis C. Lagergren	3.00	Rosette	5.00
Martha Bullock	10.00		
Mary Brand	3.00	Sarah Bernhardt	2.50
Paul L. Richardson	2.50	Solange	5.00
Midsummer Night's Dream	2.50	Souvenir de Louis Bigot	6.00
Modeste Guerin	1.00	Suzette	5.00
Mc. Emil Galle	1.00		
Mc. Jules Dessert	4.00	Tenuifolia Fl. Pl.	3.00
Mrs. Edward Harling	15.00	Therese	3.50
Nina Secor	10.00	Tender	4.00
		Tourangelle	3.50
Officinalis rubra plena	.75	Walter Faxon	5.00
Opal	2.50	Welcome Guest	3.00
Othello	5.00	W. F. Christman	7.50
		Wilton Lockwood	10.00
Pallas	5.00		
Pastour	3.00	Zest	1.50
Phillippe Rivoire	22.00		
Phyllis Kelway	10.00		
Pres. Taft	2.00		
Pride of Langport	6.00		
Primivere	3.00		

SINGLE AND JAPANESE FLOWERS

Alma	3.50	Hilmao	3.00
Ama-No-Sode #1	25.00		
Ama-No-Sode #3	5.00	Nellie	3.00
		Morphia	5.00
Hana-No-Sato	3.00		
Hinode-Sakai	5.00	Rosy Dawn	2.00
Isani Gidui	25.00	Sole Gaucho	5.00
Japanese #14	1.50	Tomatbatso	25.00
		The Bride	2.50
Kamenc-Kerogamo	2.50	The Dragon	4.00
		Telio	6.00
L'Etincelante	2.00	Tervilleur	4.00

Irises

ORIENTAL POPPIES  
1928

Peonies

Ray V. Ashley

172 Grand Boulevard

Battle Creek, Mich.

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(Transplant in August and September only)

I well remember with what a spellbound thrill I first beheld the exquisite splendor and barbaric magnificence of the huge, scarlet cups of Oriental Poppies. Their luxuriant foliage, the brilliant coloring of the large flowers, and their striking contrast with other garden flowers, make a few clumps well nigh indispensable in the well-balanced garden.

The following list includes varieties in the red, pink and rose shades and tints which have proven their worth by extensive trial.

The most beautiful of all dark red Oriental Poppies is Lulu A. Neeley which also is one of the most recent introductions. Its excellent color, freedom bloom and erect habit entitle it to a place in the front rank of Oriental Poppies.

Acting on the kind suggestions of my friends, Dr. Neeley, and Lee R. Bonnewitz, I hope to introduce in one or two years a seedling Poppy originated in my own garden. It is a vigorous grower, of true Oriental red coloring, splendid cup shape and excellent substance, and entirely without any black at the center. I have measured individual blooms that were more than nine inches across.

Name of Variety	Price each.
Lulu A. Neeley, exquisite deep ox-blood red	\$ 2.50
Trilby, beautiful dark red	5.00
Wurtembergia, very large, dark red	3.00
Edna Perry, beautiful, large, fine pink	.50
Mrs. Perry, lovely orange-apricot	.50
Nancy, deep crimson with intense black center	1.00
Gerald Perry, silvery light pink	.50
Prosperine, intense, bright red	1.00
Unnamed, orange red seedlings, fine plants	.25
Per Dozen -	2.50

Oriental Poppy seeds from best plants, per packet 25¢

